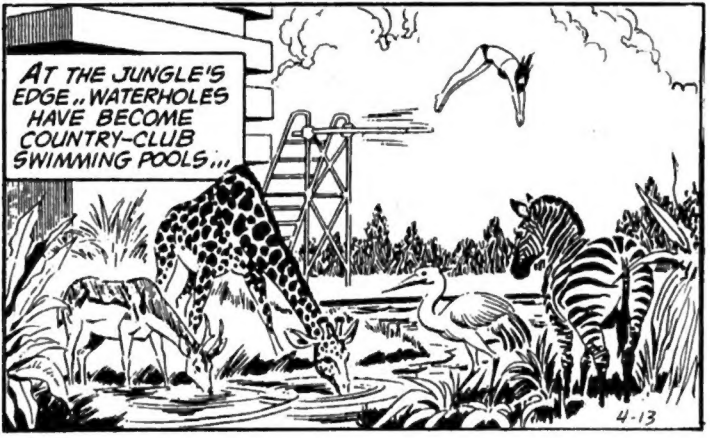
AT THE JUNGLE'S EDGE,, WATERHOLES HAVE BECOME COUNTRY-CLUB SWIMMING POOLS...
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...BROAD BOULEVARDS WHERE HUNTERS ROAMED...

BUT IN DEEP JUNGLE,, CLAW AND FANG STILL RULE,, AND THERE ARE MYSTERIES...
!
SNAP!

LETTER,, FOR GHOST WHO WALKS.
LETTER, CHEE-CHEE.
CHEE CHEE...
THE PHANTOM'S MONKEY MAILMAN,, HEADED FOR THE DEEP WOODS...
CHEE CHEE...
AT THE EDGE OF THE GREAT SWAMP,, RELAY RUNNER BRINGS A LETTER...

..ACROSS THE GREAT SWAMP,, WHERE COLD EYES WATCH.
CHEE CHEE!
TALK & BARRY 4/14

MONKEY MAILMAN REACHING DEEP WOODS.
LETTER,, FROM DIANA AND THE CHILDREN,, MISS ME,, SEND LOVE...
CHEE-CHEE...
I ALSO MISS THEM.
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HERE'S YOUR LUNCH CHEE-CHEE,, EAT,, THEN BACK HOME.
CHEE-CHEE...

BACK OVER THE GREAT SWAMP, GURAN, EVER BEEN THERE ?
A PLACE OF DEATH!
TALK & BARRY 4/15

AT THE GREAT SWAMP'S EDGE...
TOMM... HOLD IT!
I,, I CAN'T...
TALK & BARRY 4/16

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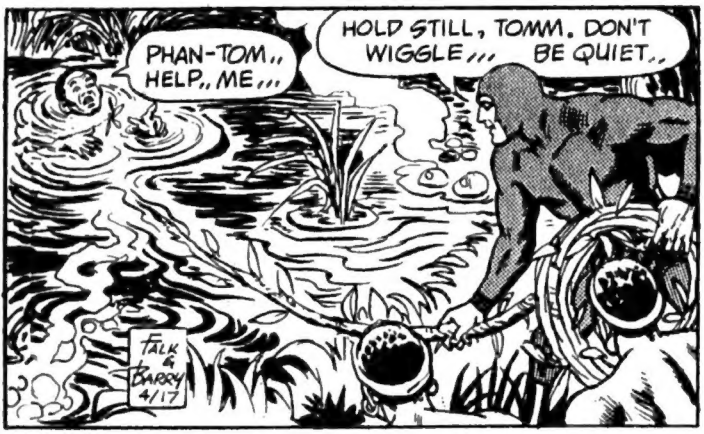
HE CAN'T HOLD THE VINE. TOO WEAK,, WE FEAR TO GO IN AFTER HIM...


PHAN-TOM.. HELP.. ME...
HOLD STILL, TOMM. DON'T WIGGLE... BE QUIET..
FALK & BARRY 4/17

HOLD MY GUNS, SAKO.
OH.. WILL YOU GO INTO THE SWAMP..?
NO... OVER IT.
??

ABOVE THE GREAT SWAMP...
TOUGH BANGA VINE.. SHOULD BE ABOUT RIGHT...

REMAIN QUIET, TOMM.. AND DO AS I SAY.
!!
!!!
FALK & BARRY 4/18

TOMM.. REACH UP.. TO ME.. HIGHER...
TOMM, YOUNG PYGMY, CAUGHT IN GREAT SWAMP...
FALK & BARRY 4/20

GOTCHA!
NOW.. WHAT?.. HE COULD FALL IN THE SWAMP.. TOO!

YOU'RE OKAY NOW, TOMM. READY.. FOR A BIG SWING...
FALK & BARRY 4/21

NOW!
WHEEEE!

O GHOST WHO WALKS,, DO NOT FALL INTO SWAMP.
I REALLY DON'T PLAN TO...
THERE ARE ALL SORTS OF CREEPY THINGS IN THERE.

PHAN-TOM! PHAN-TOM! PHAN-TOM!
OKAY NOW, TOMM?
YES,, THANK,, YOU...
FALK & BARRY 4/22

YOU SAVED MY DEAR SON TOMM FROM THE GREAT SWAMP. I DO NOT HAVE WORDS,, THE RIGHT WORDS,, TO THANK YOU.
THOSE ARE THE RIGHT WORDS, GURAN.
FALK & BARRY 4/23

TOMM IS DEAR TO ME, TOO. HE WAS REX'S ONLY FRIEND HERE.
YOU RISKED YOUR LIFE TO SAVE ME.

NOT THAT BAD. AT WORST,, A SHORT FALL INTO THE SWAMP...
GREAT SWAMP MEANS DEATH,, EVEN FOR YOU, O GHOST WHO WALKS.

GURAN, WHY DO YOU SAY THE GREAT SWAMP MUST MEAN DEATH? I'VE CROSSED IT MANY TIMES.
BECAUSE YOU KNOW THE SECRET PATH,, BUT IF ONE DOESN'T...
FALK & BARRY 4/24

"ONCE I SAW AN ANTELOPE FLEEING FROM A BIG CAT,, LEAP INTO THE SWAMP,,

"I SAW THINGS PULLING IT DOWN,,"
THINGS?

GURAN,, WHAT KIND OF "THINGS" PULLED THE ANTELOPE DOWN INTO THE SWAMP?
THINGS... LIKE NONE I EVER SAW,, BEFORE.

YOU MEAN,, PAWS,, OR CLAWS,, OR JAWS,,?
,, LIKE NONE OF THEM...
FALK & BARRY 4/25

ALL JUNGLEFOLK,, ANIMALS, TOO,, KNOW THE GREAT SWAMP IS A PLACE OF DEATH,, OF EVIL. ASK OLD MOZZ.
?

OLD MOZZ, THE TELLER. IN JUNGLEWORLD, WHERE NO WRITING EXISTS, TELLERS KNOW ALL JUNGLE HISTORY BY HEART...
FALK & BARRY 4/27

TRIBAL LORE IS HANDED DOWN FROM TELLER TO SON...
...AND THEN THERE WAS WAR...

YOU WHO KNOW ALL AND FORGET NOTHING, TELL ME ABOUT THE GREAT SWAMP.
MUCH TO KNOW AND NOT TO KNOW.

WHAT DO YOU WISH TO KNOW OF THE GREAT SWAMP, O GHOST WHO WALKS?
GURAN SAYS IT IS AN EVIL PLACE. WHY?
FALK & BARRY 4/28

GURAN IS A WISE MAN.

WELL! ONE QUESTION TO MOZZ USUALLY MEANS A THREE-HOUR ANSWER. STRANGE...
?

AT THE EDGE OF THE GREAT SWAMP...
DEVIL, STAY.

HE WALKS ON THE SECRET PATH...
GURAN'S FULL OF SUPERSTITIONS. THERE ARE CROCS AND VIPERS HERE.. NO MYSTERIES.. NO EVIL...
FALK & BARRY 4/29
..NO?

NEAR THE GREAT SWAMP...
I REMEMBER SITTING HERE WITH MY FATHER WHEN HE FIRST SHOWED ME OUR SECRET PATH...

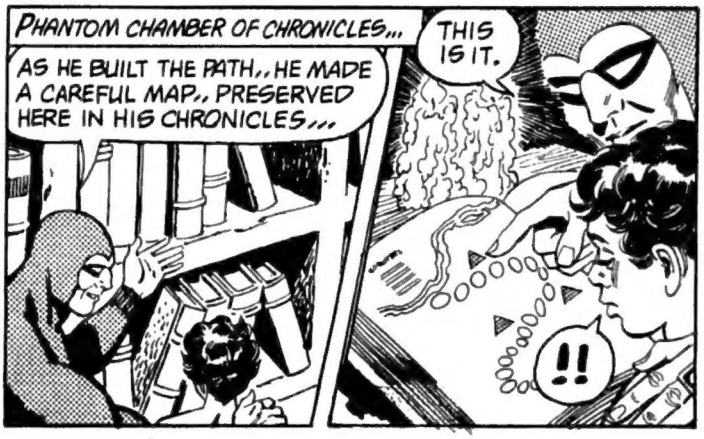
STONES... PLACED A FOOT UNDER THE WATER... WITH A HEAVY THORN BORDER.. TO KEEP CREATURES AWAY...

STONES AND THORNS, CAN'T BE SEEN.. MUDDY WATER...
IF YOU SLIP.. THE WATER'S FILLED WITH POISONOUS THINGS... DEADLY...
!!
FALK & BARRY 4/30

OUR PHANTOM,, AND HIS FATHER,,,
HOW DID THE SECRET PATH OF STONES AND THORNS GET HERE, FATHER ?
PLACED THERE BY A MIGHTY BRAVE MAN,, OUR ANCESTOR,, THE 8TH PHANTOM,,,
FALK & BARRY 5/1

"SON OF THE 7TH,, THE FRIEND OF EMPEROR JOONKOOR,, WHO CREATED PHANTOMHEAD PEAK...
!!
"THE 8TH,, LAYING THE FINAL STONE,, SLIPPED,, BITTEN BY A VIPER,,,"

OUR PHANTOM,, AND HIS FATHER,,
THE 8TH PHANTOM,, DIED FROM A VIPER BITE ?
YES,, BUT NOT BEFORE HE FINISHED HIS SECRET PATH MAP.
FALK & BARRY 5/2


PHANTOM CHAMBER OF CHRONICLES,,,
AS HE BUILT THE PATH,, HE MADE A CAREFUL MAP,, PRESERVED HERE IN HIS CHRONICLES,,,
THIS IS IT.
!!

OUR PHANTOM, AS A BOY,, WITH HIS FATHER.
THE MAP OF THE SECRET PATH THRU THE GREAT SWAMP. WE ALONE KNOW IT.
SO,, STUDY IT EVERY DAY FOR A HUNDRED DAYS,, SO IT IS ETCHED IN YOUR MIND,,,

BE ABLE TO DRAW IT WITHOUT LOOKING,, SEE IT IN YOUR MIND. SOME DAY IT MAY SAVE YOUR LIFE. PROMISE.
I PROMISE, FATHER.
FALK & BARRY 5-4

ONE NIGHT,, AT EDGE OF THE GREAT SWAMP,,,
STRANGE SOUND,, FROM THE SWAMP,, LIKE A PIPE OR FLUTE,, HERO AND DEVIL HEAR IT, TOO.
FALK & BARRY 5-5

NO ANIMAL, BIRD OR REPTILE MAKES THAT SOUND,, MAYBE THE WIND,,,
MUST ASK OLD MOZZ.
HE KNOWS EVERYTHING.

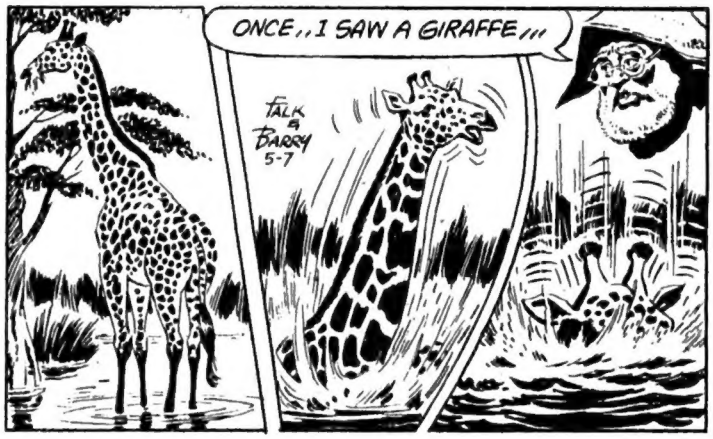
MOZZ, YOU WHO REMEMBER ALL AND FORGET NOTHING. TELL ME ABOUT THE GREAT SWAMP.
A FEARSOME PLACE, O GHOST WHO WALKS.

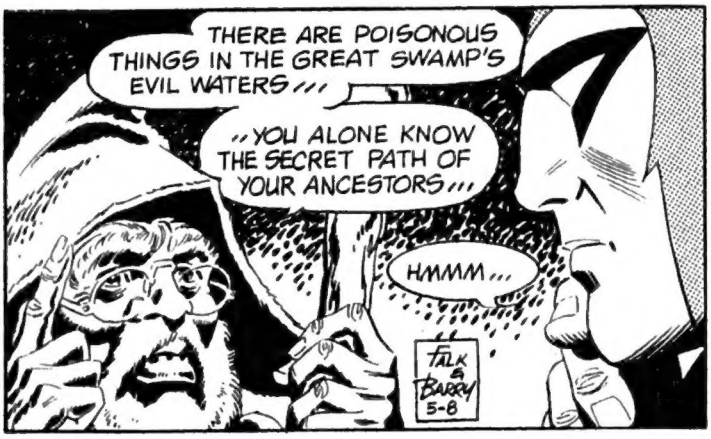
YESTERDAY, I HEARD A SOUND, LIKE A PIPER PLAYING. WAS IT THE WIND?
TALK & BARRY 5-6

NOT THE WIND. BE THANKFUL YOU DID NOT HEED IT.
WHY? TELL ME MORE.

THE GREAT SWAMP,, AN EVIL PLACE. FIRSTLY, THE MURKY WATERS,, OF NO KNOWN DEPTH.
?

"IN SOME PLACES, ANKLE-DEEP,, BUT IN OTHER PLACES,,,"


ONCE,, I SAW A GIRAFFE,,,
TALK & BARRY 5-7


THERE ARE POISONOUS THINGS IN THE GREAT SWAMP'S EVIL WATERS,,,,
,,YOU ALONE KNOW THE SECRET PATH OF YOUR ANCESTORS,,,
HMMM,,,
TALK & BARRY 5-8

NEVER WANDER OFF THE SECRET PATH,, NO MATTER WHAT LURES YOU.
WHAT KIND OF LURE?

A STRANGE PIPING,, THAT SOUNDS LIKE THE WIND,, BUT IS NOT. BEWARE IT, O GHOST WHO WALKS.

MOZZ, IN THE GREAT SWAMP, YOU HEARD THAT WEIRD PIPING SOUND?
I DID, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
TALK & BARRY 5/9

DID YOU GO TO IT?
I COULD NOT STOP,, DRAWN TO IT,, LIKE A MOTH TO A FLAME.

WHAT DID YOU FIND THERE?
A,, STRANGENESS.

MOZZ, TELL ME OF THE STRANGENESS YOU FOUND IN THE GREAT SWAMP.
AS BEST I CAN, O GHOST WHO WALKS. TWO OF YOUR YEARS AGO,, YOU WERE AWAY,,,
FALK & BARRY 5/11

ONE NIGHT,, AS I WALKED NEAR THE EVIL WATERS,, I HEARD THE SOUND,,, SWEET,, LOVING,,,

THE SWEET PIPING SOUND IN THE SWAMP,, SEEMED TO PROMISE HAPPINESS, EVEN TO AN OLD MAN LIKE ME.
DID YOU SEE ANYTHING?

I DID,, A STRANGE GLOW,,, NOT LIKE A FIRE,,,
FALK & BARRY 5/12
",, BUT UNEARTHLY! IN THE WATER, CROCS AND VIPERS,, WATCHING IT TOO,,,!"

",, AND WAS DRAWN TO IT LIKE A MOTH TO A FLAME.
IN THE SWAMP I HEARD THE PIPING AND SAW THE STRANGE GLOW,,,

"THE VIPERS AND CROCS HEEDED ME NOT,, ALL MOVING TOWARDS THE GLOW,,,"
FALK & BARRY 5-13

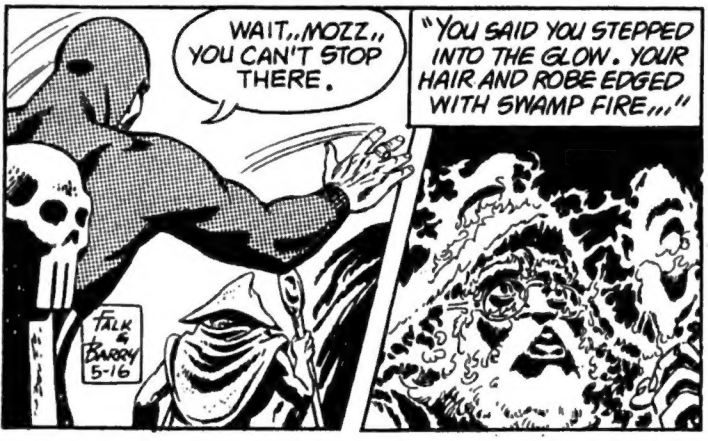
AS I WALKED DEEPER AND DEEPER INTO THE SWAMP,,,
",, I SAW,, OR THOUGHT I SAW,, CREATURES NOT SEEN BEFORE IN THE JUNGLE,,,"

"THE CROCS AND VIPERS MOVED WITH ME. NONE HARMED ME,, AS I MOVED INTO THE GLOW!"
FALK & BARRY 5-14

"MY HAIR AND ROBE SEEMED TO FLAME. WITH A KIND OF SWAMP FIRE..."
AS I ENTERED THAT GLOW...
FALK & BARRY 5-15

..AND THEN.. I WAS INTO IT.

AND THEN..MOZZ?
AND THEN.. I CAME OUT.


WAIT..MOZZ.. YOU CAN'T STOP THERE.
"YOU SAID YOU STEPPED INTO THE GLOW. YOUR HAIR AND ROBE EDGED WITH SWAMP FIRE..."
FALK & BARRY 5-16

THEN YOU SAID.." I CAME OUT." THERE MUST BE MORE TO TELL.
THERE IS...YOU WISH TO HEAR IT, O GHOST WHO WALKS?

"THE VIPERS AND CROCS ARE EATING.. EATING.
??!!
CHOMP
CHOMP
SNAP
AS I NEAR THE GLOW.. ABLAZE WITH SWAMP FIRE...
FALK & BARRY 5-18

"...AT THAT MOMENT, I FEEL THE FATAL BITE OF A VIPER..."

..BUT I HEED IT NOT..AMAZED BY WHAT I SEE!
WHAT.. DID YOU SEE, MOZZ?

MOZZ, YOU WERE BITTEN BY A SWAMP VIPER? THEIR POISON KILLS!
YES. ODDLY, I HEEDED IT NOT.. THE SIGHT AHEAD AMAZED ME...
FALK & BARRY 5-19

"MEN.. OR SOMETHING LIKE MEN.. WITH GRASS.. INSTEAD OF SKIN!"

THE VIPER VENOM WAS IN ME...
?
"I CAN ONLY STARE AT THE STRANGE CREATURES.. WITH GRASS FOR SKIN...
FALK & BARRY 5-20

"THEN I SEE.. ON A THRONE SURROUNDED BY FIRE.. A DEMON.."

"AS I BEHOLD THE DEMON ON THE FIERY THRONE.. I BECOME DIZZY.."
FALK & BARRY 5-21

I KNEW WHAT IT WAS .. THE VIPER VENOM IN MY BODY.. I HEARD A STRANGE CRY...

"THEN.. BEFORE MY FACE.. THE GRASS MEN'S PAWS.. TERRIFYING.."
!!

MOZZ'S SWAMP TALE...
THE VIPER VENOM WAS KILLING ME.. AS I FELL TOWARDS THE SWAMP...
FALK & BARRY 5-22

.. COLD, SLIMY THINGS GRAB ME...

"THEY FORCE OPEN MY MOUTH.. POURING IN A BITTER LIQUID.. I KNOW NOT WHAT..."

"AS I WAS FORCED TO DRINK THE BITTER LIQUID...
"MY LAST VIEW OF THE "GRASS MEN" AND THE THRONED DEMON..

"ALL GOES BLACK.. I FAINT OR I DIE.."
FALK & BARRY 5-23

MOZZ.. YOU DIDN'T DIE.. YOU'RE HERE.
WHY? NO ONE EVER LIVED AFTER THE BITE OF A SWAMP VIPER...

A CURIOUS NIGHT IN THE SWAMP, WAS IT NOT?
WAIT, MOZZ. THERE MUST BE MORE... AFTER BLACKING OUT...
TALK & BARRY 5/25

..DID YOU WAKE UP..STILL IN THE SWAMP?
NOT AT ALL, O GHOST WHO WALKS...
??
"I AWOKE IN MY CAVE..ATOP MY HILL..TWO MILES FROM THE SWAMP."

THOSE THINGS YOU SAW IN THE SWAMP...
"..CREATURES WITH GRASS FOR SKIN... FIERY THRONE..A DEMON..."
TALK & BARRY 5/26

DID YOU TELL ME THE TRUTH ABOUT ALL THAT?
WOULD I LIE TO YOU, O GHOST WHO WALKS?

FORGET THAT QUESTION. MAYBE..YOU IMAGINED IT ALL.
IMAGINED?

MOZZ, IN THE SWAMP, MAYBE THE VIPER POISON GAVE YOU HALLUCINATIONS.
HALLUC..? EXPLAIN, PLEASE.
TALK & BARRY 5/27

SEEING THINGS THAT ARE NOT REALLY THERE.
OH..LIKE DREAMS? MAYBE...

EXCEPT.. AFTER TWO YEARS, I STILL BEAR THE SCAR OF THE VIPER BITE.
!

YES.. THAT IS MARK OF VIPER FANGS.
MOZZ..IN THE SWAMP..AS YOU FAINTED..YOU HEARD SOMEONE CRY OUT? WHAT?
TALK & BARRY 5/28

YES..AS THE WORLD TURNED DARK..I HEARD FROM THOSE WEIRD CREATURES...
"IT'S OLD MOZZ."

OR MAYBE I..HOW DO YOU SAY..HALLUC..IMAGINED IT.
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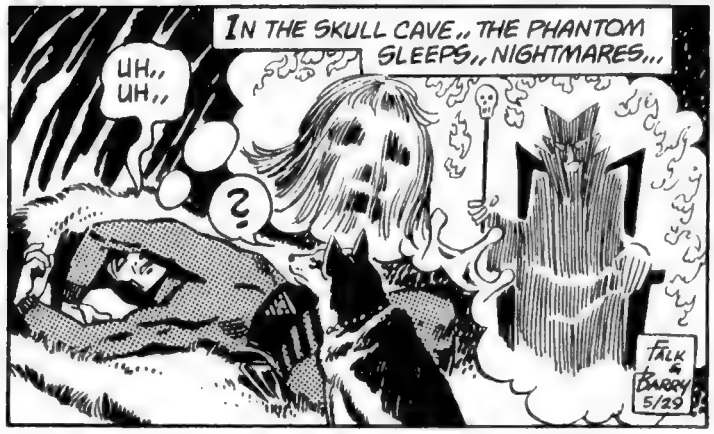

IN THE SKULL CAVE,, THE PHANTOM SLEEPS,, NIGHTMARES...
UH,, UH,,
?
FALK & BARRY 5/29

WOOF! GRRR. WOOF.
UH,, WHAT,, DEVIL?

FORGIVE AWAKENING,, A MESSENGER FROM CHIEFS AWAITS YOU,,

GREETINGS, O GHOST WHO WALKS. THE COUNCIL OF CHIEFS REQUESTS YOUR PRESENCE. IMPORTANT.

IMPORTANT? I'M ON MY WAY!

AS HE RIDES... HIS MIND STILL FILLED WITH OLD MOZZ'S SWAMP TALE.
5-30

THE COUNCIL OF JUNGLE CHIEFS.
WELCOME, O GHOST WHO WALKS. JOIN US.
THANK YOU, CHIEF WAMBUTTO.
FALK & BARRY 6/1

THIS COUNCIL MEETS ONLY TO DISCUSS SUCH GRAVE MATTERS THAT COULD LEAD TO WAR...

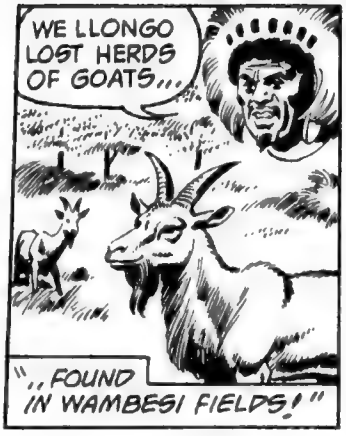
,,SUCH A MATTER NOW FACES US.
WAR?!

AS YOU'VE ADVISED US, PHANTOM, "TALK, TALK IS BETTER THAN WAR, WAR."
COUNCIL OF CHIEFS.
YES,, (THANKS TO WINSTON CHURCHILL).
FALK & BARRY 6/2

CHIEF,, WHAT'S SO SERIOUS TO CAUSE WAR,, BETWEEN WHOM?

WAMBESI AND LLONGO!
THE TWO BIGGEST TRIBES? WHY?

WE WAMBESI LOST MANY HERDS OF CATTLE...
"..FOUND LATER IN LLONGO FIELDS!"


WE LLONGO LOST HERDS OF GOATS...
"..FOUND IN WAMBESI FIELDS!"

WE DID NOT STEAL YOUR GOATS!
WE DID NOT STEAL YOUR CATTLE!
CHIEFS.. PLEASE.. JUST.. "TALK, TALK."
TALK & BARRY 6/3

THERE IS FURTHER EVIL. YOU LLONGO HAVE STOLEN MANY OF OUR YOUTHS.
A LIE. IT IS YOU WAMBESI WHO HAVE STOLEN OUR YOUTHS!
TALK & BARRY 6/4

STOLEN THEIR YOUTHS..? HOW CAN THAT BE?

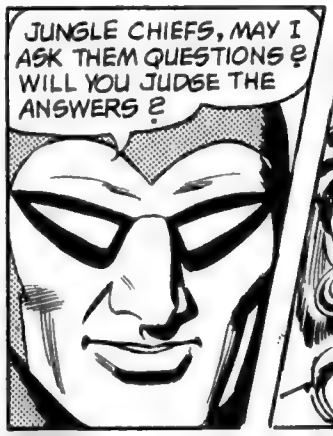
WHOA.. TOO MUCH. LET'S START WITH THE COWS AND GOATS.

YOU KNOW ME WELL, PHANTOM.
YES, OONYATTO OF OONGAAN. YOU WERE JUNGLE OLYMPICS CHAMPION.
TALK & BARRY 6/5

WAMBESI AND LLONGO ARE RICHEST, BIGGEST, MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE OF JUNGLE. IF THEY FIGHT...

..WE ARE ALL DESTROYED. HELP US FIND A WAY TO KEEP THE PEACE, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
!

LLINOTO.. WE ALL KNOW YOU TO BE HONORABLE MEN.
WAMBUTTO, WE ALL KNOW THAT. THEIR WORD IS GOOD AS GOLD.
TALK & BARRY 6/6


JUNGLE CHIEFS, MAY I ASK THEM QUESTIONS? WILL YOU JUDGE THE ANSWERS?

ASK YOUR QUESTIONS...
..WE WILL JUDGE THEIR ANSWERS, O GHOST WHO WALKS.

!!
CHIEF LLIONTO,, DID YOUR PEOPLE STEAL THE WAMBESI CATTLE?
NO! WE DO NOT EAT FLESH OF CATTLE. IT MAKES US SICK!
FALK & BARRY 6/8

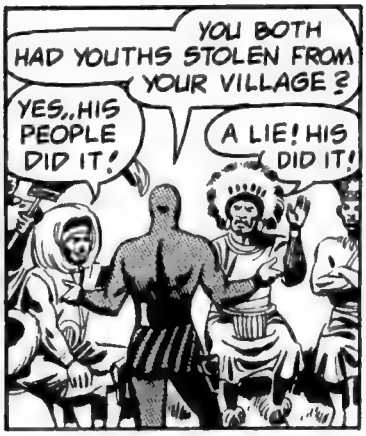
CHIEF WAMBUTTO, DID YOUR PEOPLE STEAL LLONGO GOATS?
NEVER! GOATS SMELL BAD.

BEEF NEVER MAKES ANYBODY SICK!
GOATS ARE BEAUTIFUL,, THEY DO NOT SMELL!
CHIEFS,, PLEASE,,

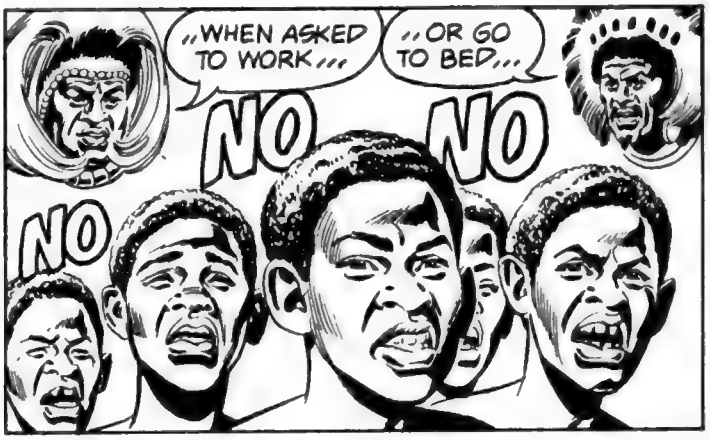
ALL THE JUNGLE KNOWS,, WAMBESI DO NOT EAT GOATS,, LLONGO DO NOT EAT CATTLE.
TRUE...
TRUE...

THIS IS OUR VERDICT. NEITHER STOLE FROM THE OTHER.
FALK & BARRY 6/9

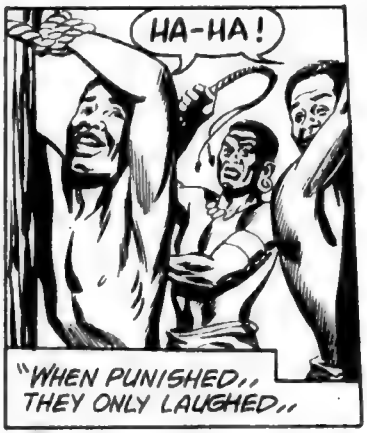
I SAY A THIRD PARTY DID THE STEALING,, TO MAKE TROUBLE AND WAR.
GOOD THINKING. BUT WHO?


YOU BOTH HAD YOUTHS STOLEN FROM YOUR VILLAGE?
YES,, HIS PEOPLE DID IT!
A LIE! HIS DID IT!

SOME OF OUR YOUTHS BECAME WILD ,, UNRULY...
STRANGE,, SO DID SOME OF OURS,,
FALK & BARRY 6/10


,, WHEN ASKED TO WORK...
,, OR GO TO BED...
NO
NO
NO

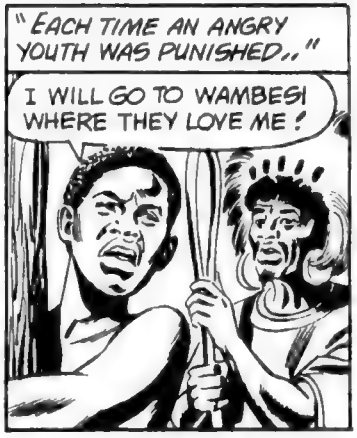
OUR POLITE YOUTHS SUDDENLY CHANGED... UNRULY,, ANGRY,, FOUL-MOUTHED...
OURS, TOO,, AS THOUGH BEWITCHED,, POSSESSED BY DEMONS...


HA-HA!
"WHEN PUNISHED,, THEY ONLY LAUGHED,,

"AND IN THE MORNING,, GONE,, VANISHED..."
?
FALK & BARRY 6/11

HOW MANY OF YOUR YOUTHS RAN AWAY?

ONE NIGHT, 5.. THEN 10.. THEN 20...
THE SAME WITH US.
LLIONTO, WHY DO YOU BLAME THE WAMBESI FOR THIS?
FALK & BARRY 6/12


"EACH TIME AN ANGRY YOUTH WAS PUNISHED.."
I WILL GO TO WAMBESI WHERE THEY LOVE ME!

BUT.. BUT MY YOUTHS SAID THEY'D GO TO YOU ...LLONGO! THE SAME WORDS!
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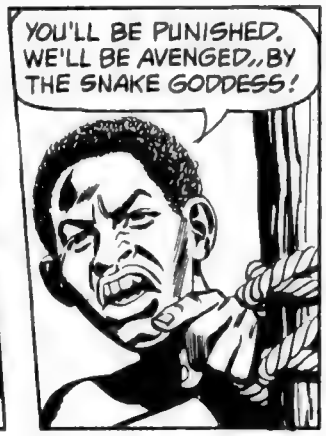
YOU BOTH SAID OUR YOUTHS SEEMED BEWITCHED.. POSSESSED...
YES.. AS ONE WAS PUNISHED HE SHOUTED...


YOU'LL BE PUNISHED. WE'LL BE AVENGED.. BY THE SNAKE GODDESS!

A GASP.. FROM THE COUNCIL OF CHIEFS!
SNAKE GODDESS...
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!!
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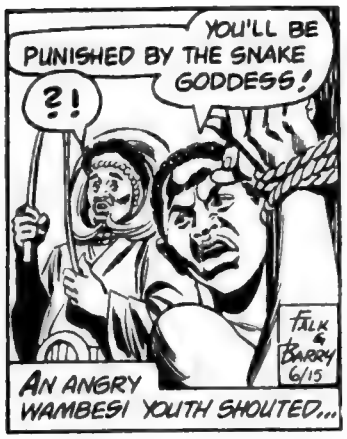
!!
FALK & BARRY 6/13


YOU'LL BE PUNISHED BY THE SNAKE GODDESS!
?!
FALK & BARRY 6/15
AN ANGRY WAMBESI YOUTH SHOUTED...

..AND TWO LLONGO YOUTHS...
DON'T DARE TOUCH US...
THE SNAKE GODDESS WILL DESTROY YOU!
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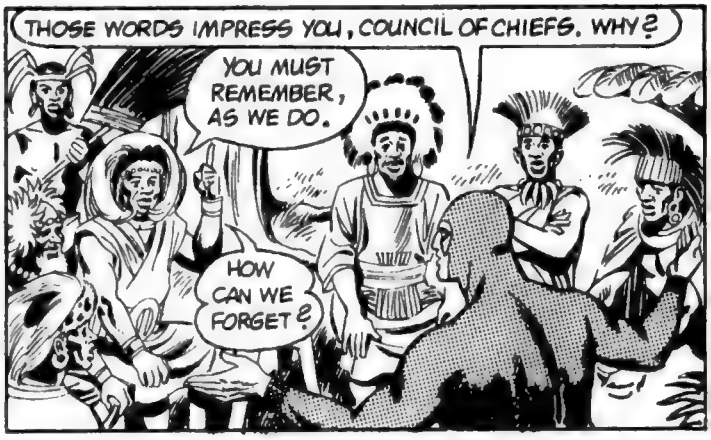
THOSE WORDS IMPRESS YOU, COUNCIL OF CHIEFS. WHY?
YOU MUST REMEMBER, AS WE DO.
HOW CAN WE FORGET?

IN THE TIME OF MY GRANDFATHER'S GRANDFATHER, MANY WORSHIPPED THE SNAKE GODDESS.
YOU REMEMBER, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
HMM.. GO ON.
WHEN MY ANCESTOR, THE 17TH PHANTOM WAS ALIVE.

"THE GODDESS, IT WAS SAID, LIVED AMONG THE DONAII... A PLACE OF EVIL."
FALK & BARRY 6/16

THE LAND OF THE DONAII WAS A PLACE GOOD PEOPLE SHUNNED...

"AMONG THE DONAII WERE SORCERERS WHO PRACTICED BLACK MAGIC...

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"AMONG OTHER EVILS... HUMAN SACRIFICE FOR THE SNAKE GODDESS!"

"THE CULT OF THE SNAKE GODDESS SPREAD,, INFECTING OUR PEOPLE LIKE THE PLAGUE,,"

THEN THE DONAII PEOPLE VANISHED,, SWEPT AWAY,, GONE FOREVER,, AS WELL YOU KNOW, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
THANK YOU, CHIEF.
I KNOW NOT AT ALL,, MUST LOOK THAT UP.
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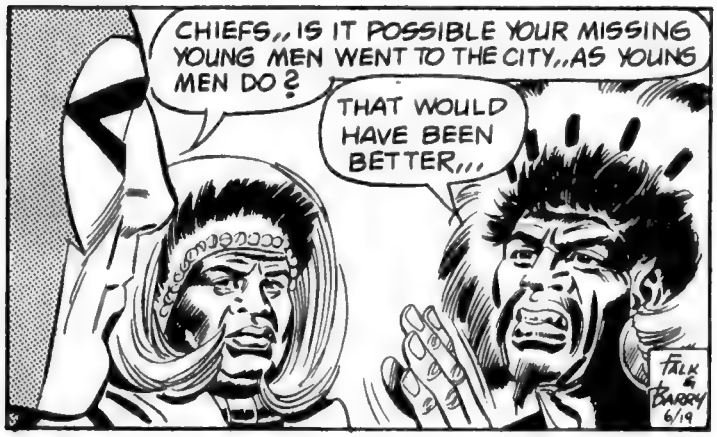
CHIEFS,, IS IT POSSIBLE YOUR MISSING YOUNG MEN WENT TO THE CITY,, AS YOUNG MEN DO?
THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER...
FALK & BARRY 6/19

AT FIRST, WE BOTH THOUGHT THEY'D GONE TO EACH OTHER'S VILLAGE...
NOT TRUE ,, OUR HUNTERS TRACKED THEM,, INTO THE JUNGLE...

,, TO THE EDGE OF THE GREAT SWAMP.
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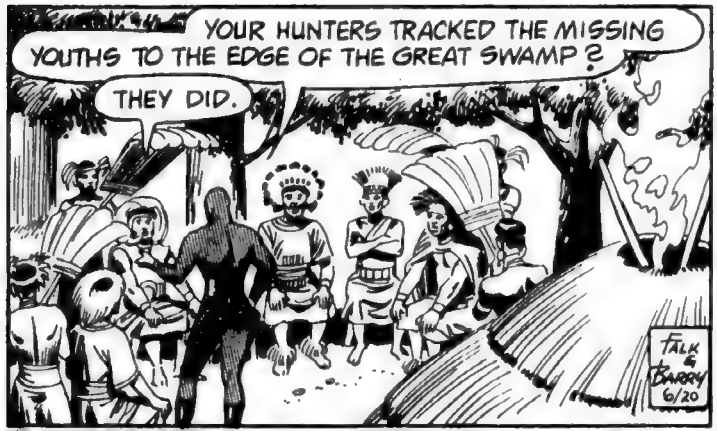
YOUR HUNTERS TRACKED THE MISSING YOUTHS TO THE EDGE OF THE GREAT SWAMP?
THEY DID.
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I MUST TALK TO YOUR HUNTERS,, WHERE DID THEY TRACK THEM AFTER THAT?
NOWHERE.

BUT,, TO GO INTO THE GREAT SWAMP MEANS DEATH.
WE KNOW.
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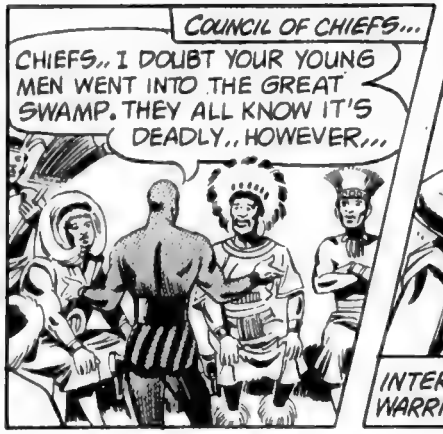
COUNCIL OF CHIEFS...
CHIEFS.. I DOUBT YOUR YOUNG MEN WENT INTO THE GREAT SWAMP. THEY ALL KNOW IT'S DEADLY.. HOWEVER...

UH.. (PANT-PANT)
A SUDDEN INTERRUPTION.. A WOUNDED WARRIOR.. PRINCE LLONI...

MY SON.. WOUNDED.. WHAT..?
FATHER.. WAMBESI.. ATTACKED US...
?!
!
??!!
FALK & BARRY 6/22

CHIEF LLIONTO AND SON LLONI.. OF LLONGO...
SON, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING ?
??!!
LAST NIGHT.. WAMBESI.. ATTACKED .. OUR VILLAGE...
FALK & BARRY 6/23

HE LIES! WE ATTACKED NO ONE!
WAIT.. CHIEF...
CHIEF WAMBUTTO OF WAMBESI...

I DO NOT LIE! YOUR PEOPLE DID IT!
!

HIS PEOPLE.. ATTACKED US!
STOP!
LIE! I'LL KILL THE BRAT.. !
FALK & BARRY 6/24
AT COUNCIL OF CHIEFS.

THIS IS A TERRIBLE CHARGE.. THAT WAMBESI ATTACKED LLONGO... TELL IT TRUTHFULLY, PRINCE LLONI.
YOU WILL HEAR.. HOW HIS PEOPLE ATTACKED US.. WHILE HE SAT HERE!
LIE!

WHILE YOU CHIEFS SAT IN COUNCIL HERE WITH MY FATHER.. AND HIM.. THE WAMBESI CHIEF.. TALKING PEACE...
FALK & BARRY 6/25
PRINCE LLONI OF LLONGO...

I WAS IN THE JUNGLE WITH OUR HUNTERS.. WHEN WE RETURNED..

"OUR VILLAGE WAS ON FIRE!"
!!!

OUR PEOPLE TOLD US...
"WAMBESI WARRIORS SET OUR HUTS AFIRE...
FALK & BARRY 6/26

"THEY BROKE OUR PENS.. SCATTERED OUR GOATS INTO THE JUNGLE.. TO BE DEVOURED!"
OUR BEAUTIFUL GOATS?!

LLONI.. HOW DO YOU KNOW WAMBESI ATTACKED YOUR VILLAGE?
BY THEIR TALK.. AS THEY SHOUTED.. AND THEIR WAR PAINT! WAMBESI!

"AMONG THEM.. TWO WITH SKIN LIKE 'GRASS.'"
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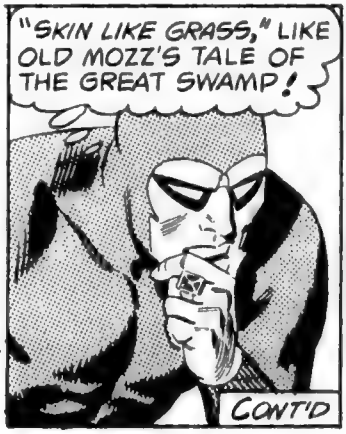
"SKIN LIKE GRASS," LIKE OLD MOZZ'S TALE OF THE GREAT SWAMP!
CONT'D

WHY DID THE WAMBESI ATTACK US LAST NIGHT? BECAUSE HIS WARRIORS KNEW OUR WARRIORS WERE AWAY ON A HUNT!
HOW WOULD I KNOW THAT?

YOU HAVE SPIES! SO YOUR BRAVE WARRIORS ATTACKED OLD MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN!

ALL LIES! WE HAVE NO SPIES! THERE IS NO ATTACK.. UNLESS I ORDER IT. I DID NOT!
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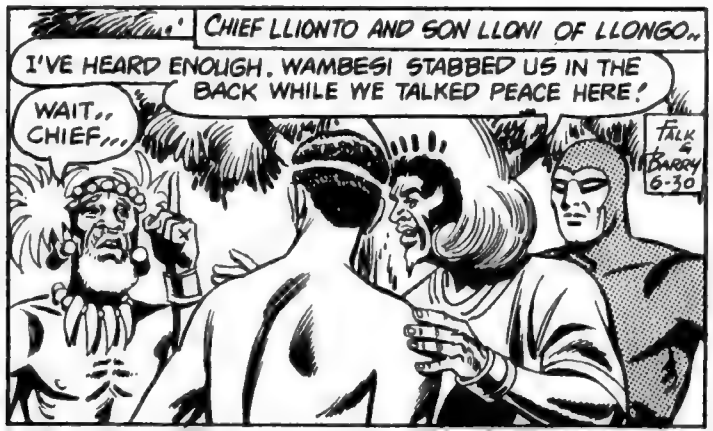
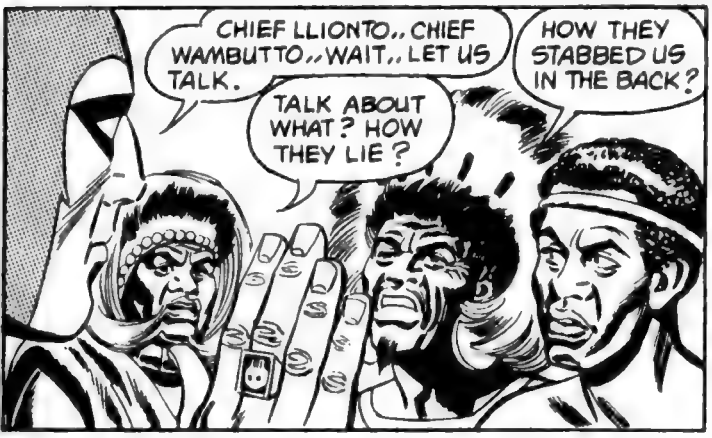

CHIEF LLIONTO AND SON LLONI OF LLONGO..
I'VE HEARD ENOUGH. WAMBESI STABBED US IN THE BACK WHILE WE TALKED PEACE HERE!
WAIT.. CHIEF...
FALK & BARRY 6-30

..ALL LIES! YOU WILL SEE HOW REAL WAMBESI WARRIORS FIGHT!

THIS WAR WILL DESTROY US ALL! PHANTOM, STOP THEM!
EASIER SAID.. THAN DONE...


CHIEF LLIONTO,, CHIEF WAMBUTTO,, WAIT,, LET US TALK.
TALK ABOUT WHAT? HOW THEY LIE?
HOW THEY STABBED US IN THE BACK?

CHIEFS,, SOMEONE STOLE YOUR GOATS AND CATTLE AND PLACED BLAME ON EACH OF YOU.
FALK & BARRY 7/1

IS THIS NOT ANOTHER TRICK,, TO START TROUBLE BETWEEN YOU?
NO TRICK, O GHOST WHO WALKS!

NO TRICK,, WHEN WAMBESI ATTACK OUR VILLAGE. IT IS REAL!
A LIE,, YOU LLONGO WILL PAY FOR IT!
JUNGLE CHIEFS,,
FALK & BARRY 7-2

,, ASK THEM TO WAIT ,, TO LET ME PROVE BOTH TRIBES ARE INNOCENT OF EVIL-DOING.

CAN YOU DO THAT, O GHOST WHO WALKS?
I CAN TRY,, AND HOPE...

I SPEAK FOR THE COUNCIL OF CHIEFS. WAMBUTTO OF WAMBESI,, LLIONTO OF LLONGO...
,, WE CANNOT PERMIT THIS WAR.
FALK & BARRY 7-3

YOU ARE THE MOST POWERFUL TRIBES... YOUR WAR WILL DESTROY ALL OF US.

WE SAY,, LET OUR GOOD FRIEND THE PHANTOM FIND TRUTH,, TO PREVENT THIS WAR.
YES...
YES...
YES...

WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT THIS ATTACK?
CHIEFS,, WE ARE OLD FRIENDS. I TELL YOU HONESTLY,, I DON'T KNOW,, NOW...
FALK & BARRY 7/4

TO FIND THE TRUTH,, WE CAN TRACK THOSE WHO ATTACKED YOUR VILLAGE LAST NIGHT,, TO SEE WHERE THEY WENT...

,, EITHER BACK TO YOUR WAMBESI VILLAGE,, OR,, TO SOMEWHERE ELSE,, MORE MYSTERIOUS...
?

YOU SEE WHAT THOSE WAMBESI DID TO US WHILE THEIR CHIEF TALKED PEACE WITH ME!
IN THE LLONGO VILLAGE...
LET'S WAIT FOR PROOF...

PRINCE LLONI, COME WITH ME. WE CAN TRACK THE ATTACKERS...

LOOK,, THEY LEFT A TRAIL AS WIDE AS A RIVER. NOT LIKE JUNGLE WARRIORS...
?
FALK & BARRY 7-6

THIS TRAIL LEFT BY THOSE WHO ATTACKED YOUR VILLAGE,, NOT A CAREFUL TRAIL LEFT BY A WAR PARTY...
?
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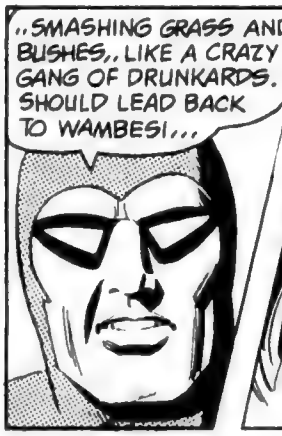

,,SMASHING GRASS AND BUSHES,, LIKE A CRAZY GANG OF DRUNKARDS. SHOULD LEAD BACK TO WAMBESI...

,, BUT LEADS HERE,, TO THE GREAT SWAMP!
??!

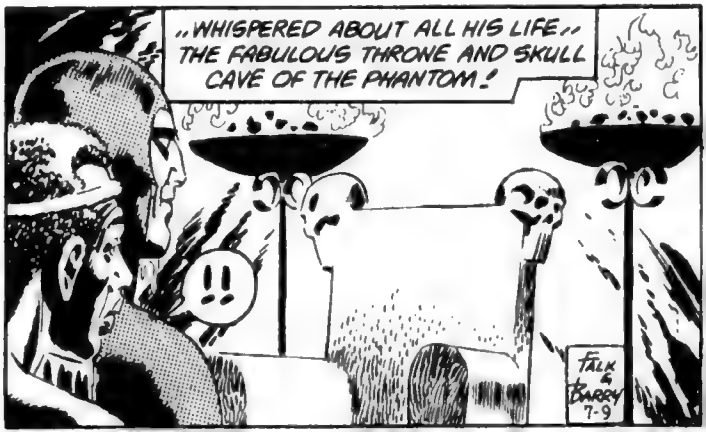
ALL OF THE WAMBESI ATTACKERS,, WENT INTO THE GREAT SWAMP,, ?
WAMBESI,, OR WHOEVER ELSE. LOOKS LIKE IT, LLONI.
FALK & BARRY 7-8

ALL ARE DEAD. NOTHING CAN LIVE HERE.
I WILL REPORT THIS TO MY FATHER. THEN WE ATTACK WAMBESI...

,, AND BURN THEIR VILLAGE AS THEY DID OURS.
FIRST, COME WITH ME TO THE DEEP WOODS.

PYGMY POISON PEOPLE!
EASY, LLONI. THEY'RE MY FRIENDS.
LLONI'S FIRST VISIT TO THE DEEP WOODS...

,, A PLACE ALL JUNGLEFOLK FEAR,, AND FEW EVER SEE...
?!


,, WHISPERED ABOUT ALL HIS LIFE,, THE FABULOUS THRONE AND SKULL CAVE OF THE PHANTOM!
!!
FALK & BARRY 7-9

I.. I MUST REPORT TO MY FATHER.
NO RUSH, PRINCE LLONI. THIS IS GURAN, CHIEF OF THE BANDAR, WHO WILL BRING YOU FOOD AND DRINK.

HAVE A NICE LUNCH AND A NAP.. I'M GOING TO READ ANCIENT HISTORY.
?
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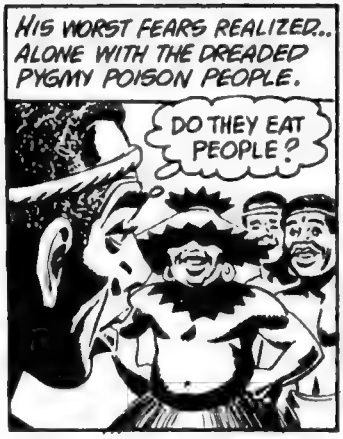
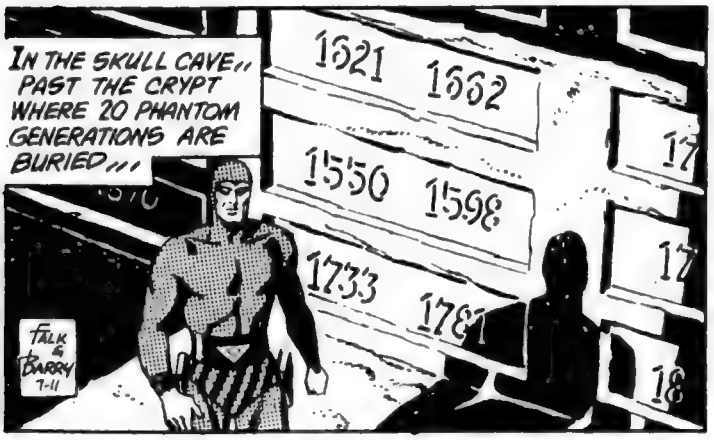

HIS WORST FEARS REALIZED.. ALONE WITH THE DREADED PYGMY POISON PEOPLE.
DO THEY EAT PEOPLE?


IN THE SKULL CAVE.. PAST THE CRYPT WHERE 20 PHANTOM GENERATIONS ARE BURIED...
1621
1662
1550
1598
1733
1781
17
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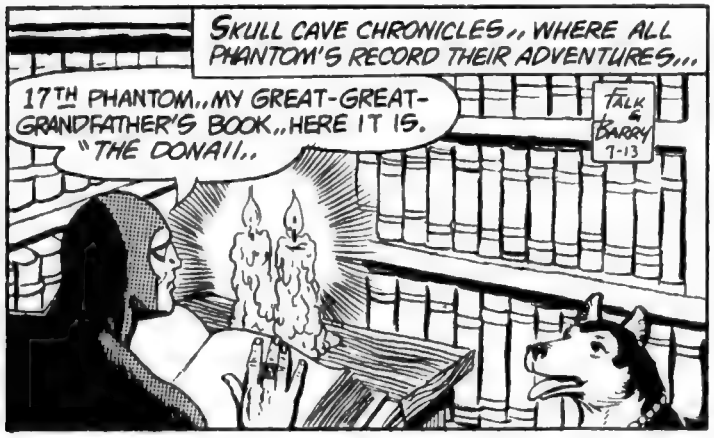
FALK & BARRY 7-11

THE PHANTOM CHRONICLES...
THE CHIEFS SPOKE OF A TRIBE CALLED "DONAII".. A SNAKE GODDESS... BLACK MAGIC.. A WAR...

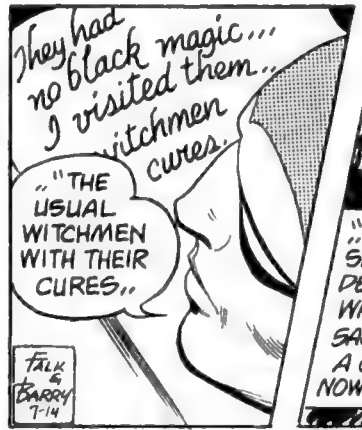
...AT THE TIME OF MY "GRANDFATHER'S GRANDFATHER." THE 17TH PHANTOM ...LET'S SEE WHAT HE SAYS ABOUT IT.


SKULL CAVE CHRONICLES.. WHERE ALL PHANTOM'S RECORD THEIR ADVENTURES...
17TH PHANTOM.. MY GREAT-GREAT-GRANDFATHER'S BOOK.. HERE IT IS. "THE DONAII..
FALK & BARRY 7-13

.."A HAPPY, PEACEFUL SMALL TRIBE OWNING RICH LAND. I VISITED THEM..

"LIGHTER SKIN.. POLYNESIANS, I BELIEVE.. OTHER JUNGLEFOLK FEARED AND HATED THEM.."

17TH PHANTOM CHRONICLE.. 100 YEARS AGO...
DONAII.. EVIL.. BLACK MAGIC... SNAKE GODDESS..
.. JUNGLEFOLK WHISPERED ABOUT THE DONAII..."


They had no black magic... I visited them.. witchmen cures.
.."THE USUAL WITCHMEN WITH THEIR CURES..
FALK & BARRY 7-14

"LIKE OTHER TRIBES, AN IDOL..
.. HERE, THE SNAKE GODDESS... TO WHOM THEY SACRIFICED A CHICKEN NOW AND THEN.."

17TH PHANTOM TALE: "HUGE WAMBESI WARS AGAINST TINY DONAII..
DONAII.. EVIL.. SNAKE GODDESS.. POISON WELLS...

"I TRIED TO STOP THEM..."
CHIEF.. THE DONAII ARE PEACEFUL PEOPLE.. LIKE YOURSELVES...
NO.. EVIL.. BLACK MAGIC.

DEATH TO THE DONAII! DRIVE THEM INTO THE GREAT SWAMP!
FALK & BARRY 7-15

17TH PHANTOM TALE: 100 YEARS AGO...
HUGE WAMBESI DID DESTROY TINY DONAII.. SCATTERED THEM...

".. DROVE THEM TO THEIR DEATHS INTO GREAT SWAMP.. AND TOOK THEIR RICH LANDS.

".. AND TOOK THEIR RICH LANDS." HOW ABOUT THAT, DEVIL?!
?
FALK & BARRY 7-16

LLONI OF LLONGO WAITS FEARFULLY...
EAT?
NOT HUNGRY...
PYGMIES HAVE POISON WEAPONS. FOOD SAME?..
FALK & BARRY 7-17

.. THOUGHT YOU'D NEVER COME BACK! THEY (GASP) TRIED TO POISON ME WITH.. FOOD...

WITH THIS? DELICIOUS...
YOU ARE GHOST WHO WALKS. NOTHING CAN KILL YOU!
I SEE...
.. TRAINED FROM CHILD-HOOD TO FEAR PYGMIES.. WHO WOULDN'T HURT A FLY... IF FLY LEAVES THEM ALONE...

I GO NOW.. TO TELL MY FATHER CHIEF LLIONTO TO ATTACK WAMBESI.. AS THEY ATTACKED US..
NO.. WAIT HERE.
FALK & BARRY 7-18

REMEMBER THE WAMBESI WHO WENT INTO THE GREAT SWAMP? I GO TO FIND THEM.
THEY ARE DEAD...

WHAT WILL HE FIND IN "THE GREAT SWAMP"?

YOU WILL FIND ONLY DEATH IN THE GREAT SWAMP. O GHOST WHO WALKS.
YOU FOUND MORE, MOZZ.

WAS IT REAL,,OR A DREAM? I'M NO LONGER SURE.

REAL,,OR A DREAM? WE'LL FIND OUT,,NOW.
TALK & BARRY 7-20

DEVIL, STAY. HERO, STAY.

THEY WOULDN'T LAST LONG IN THESE POISONOUS WATERS...

NEITHER WILL I IF I LEAVE THIS PATH...
SECRET PHANTOM PATH BUILT BY A LONG-DEAD ANCESTOR...
TALK & BARRY 7-21

FOLLOWING ME,,WAITING FOR ME TO SLIP OFF THE SECRET PATH,, SO THEY CAN HAVE LUNCH...
IN THE GREAT SWAMP...
TALK & BARRY 7-22

NOTHING UNUSUAL SO FAR.
MAYBE OLD MOZZ DID DREAM IT ALL.

??
SUDDENLY,,AN EERIE DISTANT SOUND OF PIPING...

THE VIPERS AND CROCS,,MOVING AWAY FROM ME,,TOWARDS THAT PIPING SOUND...IS IT CALLING THEM?
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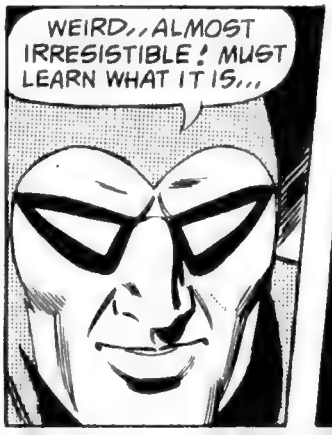

WEIRD,,ALMOST IRRESISTIBLE! MUST LEARN WHAT IT IS...

...FROM THE AIR.

AS HE MOVES HIGH UP... THE VIPERS AND CROCS ALSO MOVE...
SEE NOTHING YET.. JUST THE STRANGE PIPING SOUND...
FALK & BARRY 7-24

HMM.. STRANGE GLOW AHEAD.. LIKE.. SWAMP FIRE...

WATCHING... BELOW...

CHUNKS OF FOOD THROWN OUT OF THE DARKNESS...
THAT PIPING SOUND.. SIGNAL TO THE CREATURES.. FEEDING TIME!
SNAP..
CRUNCH..
SNAP..

FED.. BY WHOM? CAN'T SEE...

SUDDENLY AHEAD... BRIGHT GLOW.. AND VOICES..!
FALK & BARRY 7-25

HISS..
CHOMP..
SNAP..
IN THE GREAT SWAMP... CROCS AND VIPERS DRAWN BY THE PIPING SIGNAL.. FEEDING TIME...

CAN'T SEE WHO'S FEEDING THEM. BUT CAN SEE AHEAD.. IN THE SWAMP-FIRE GLOW...

??!!

THE SNAKE GODDESS COMES!
FALK & BARRY 7-27

PREPARE FOR THE COMING OF THE SNAKE GODDESS!
??!

THE SNAKE GODDESS.
FALK & BARRY 7-28

FAITHFUL ONES,, THE TIME IS HERE TO BATTLE,, TO TAKE BACK WHAT IS OURS.
WE HEAR. O SNAKE GODDESS.

BUT FIRST,, THERE IS AN INTRUDER HERE! BUILD THE FIRES!

!!
FALK & BARRY 7/29

!
BRING HIM!
FALK & BARRY 7-30

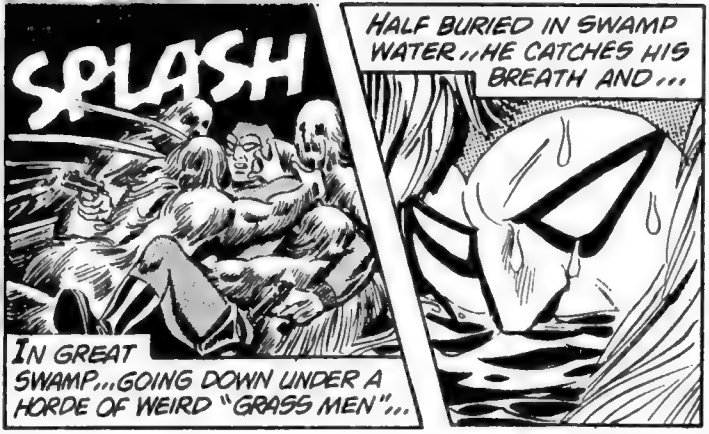
INTO THE DEADLY GREAT SWAMP!

SPLASH!
AS HE FALLS IN THE GREAT SWAMP,,, VIPERS AND CROCS MOVE FAST,,,
!
FALK & BARRY 7-31

HE BATTLES JUST AS FAST,, LEAD FOR THE VIPERS,,, TREMENDOUS KICKS FOR THE CROCS!
!

IN THE GREAT SWAMP, FURIOUS BATTLE ,,DEADLY FIRE FOR THE VIPERS,,POWERFUL KICKS FOR THE CROCS,,,
BAM
FALK & BARRY 8-1

STOP HIM!
THE VOICE OF THE SNAKE GODDESS,, AS HE IS BURIED UNDER GRASS MEN ATTACK!


SPLASH
HALF BURIED IN SWAMP WATER,, HE CATCHES HIS BREATH AND...
IN GREAT SWAMP,,, GOING DOWN UNDER A HORDE OF WEIRD "GRASS MEN",,,

SCAT!
?!
...REARING UP,, FLINGS THEM AWAY!
?!
TALK & BARRY 8/3

IN GREAT SWAMP...
NOT SO FAST,, GRASS MEN!
!!!
TALK & BARRY 8/4

I WANT TO SEE WHAT YOU'RE MADE OF!
!
?

SO,, YOU'RE A "GRASS MAN"!

WELCOME TO GREAT SWAMP, MIGHTY PHANTOM!
THE,, DEMON?
TALK & BARRY 8/5

WELCOME, MIGHTY PHANTOM. ARE YOU OUR FRIEND OR FOE?
THAT DEPENDS ON YOU...
TALK & BARRY 8/6

A WOODEN DEMON,, WHO SPEAKS?

WE'VE WAITED LONG FOR YOU, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
!

WE HAD TO STOP YOU. YOUR CRUEL GUNS WERE DESTROYING OUR FRIENDS... THE VIPERS AND GREAT LIZARDS.
YOUR.. FRIENDS?

THEY DEFEND US FROM THE EVIL WORLD OUTSIDE OUR MOTHER SWAMP.
WOW!
FALK & BARRY 8/7

YOU WHO KNOW ALL, PHANTOM, DON'T YOU REMEMBER US?
ER.. SHOULD I?

WE ARE THE DONAII.. DRIVEN INTO THE GREAT SWAMP TO DIE BY THE EVIL WAMBESI!
THAT.. WAS A HUNDRED YEARS AGO.
FALK & BARRY 8/8

YOU ARE THE DONAII.. THE TRIBE DESTROYED A CENTURY AGO!
NO.. DRIVEN INTO THE GREAT SWAMP...
..BY OUR ENEMY.
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AND.. YOU?
I AM DORANDA, QUEEN OF THE DONAII ...IN MY FORM AS THE LIVING SNAKE GODDESS.

YOU.. QUEEN DORANDA.. ARE THE LIVING SNAKE GODDESS? AND THESE MEN..?
DONAII WARRIORS. ..OUR ANCESTORS WERE DRIVEN INTO THIS SWAMP TO DIE!
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YOU REMEMBER, O GHOST WHO WALKS. YOU TRIED TO HELP US.. TO STOP THE EVIL WAR.
SHE THINKS I'M MY GREAT-GREAT-GRANDFATHER WHO LIVED OVER A CENTURY AGO.

IN OLDEN TIMES,, AS YOU KNOW,, WE DONAII WERE A SMALL TRIBE,, THE WAMBESI WERE BIG AND POWERFUL,,,
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"THEY SPREAD LIES ABOUT US,,,
DONAII EVIL,,, BLACK MAGIC,,, HUMAN SACRIFICE,,,

,,AN EXCUSE TO DESTROY US AND STEAL OUR LANDS THEY COVETED!"

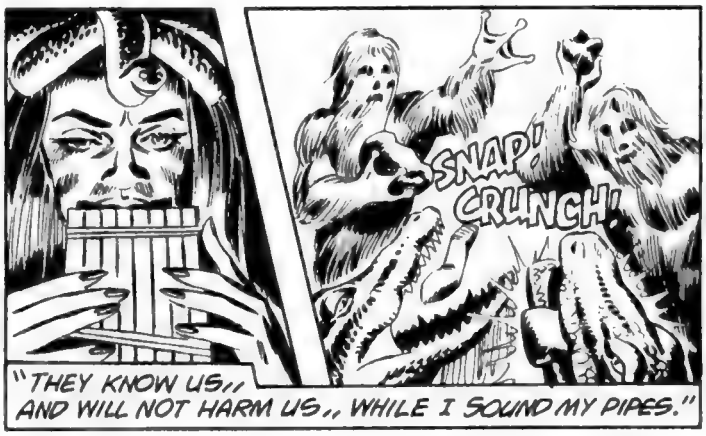
QUEEN DORANDA,, THE WAR YOU SPEAK OF WAS A CENTURY AGO!
YES,, OUR ANCESTORS WERE ALMOST DESTROYED IN THIS DEADLY SWAMP.
FALK & BARRY 8-13

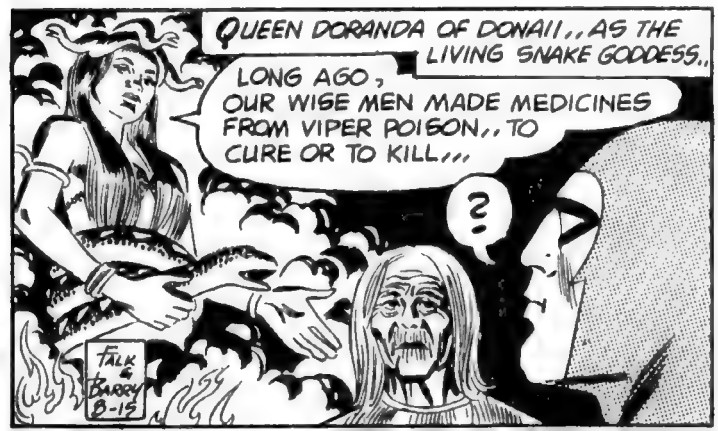
"MANY DIED OF VIPER POISON,, OR IN QUICKSAND,,

"WE LEARNED TO PROTECT OURSELVES WITH COVERING,, WE TRAINED SWAMP CREATURES TO OBEY US."

THE SWAMP CREATURES OBEY YOU, QUEEN DORANDA?
YES,, WE'VE TRAINED THEM,,,

"THEY COME AT THE SOUND OF MY PIPES,, TO BE FED,,
FALK & BARRY 8-14


SNAP!
CRUNCH!
"THEY KNOW US,, AND WILL NOT HARM US,, WHILE I SOUND MY PIPES."


QUEEN DORANDA OF DONAII,, AS THE LIVING SNAKE GODDESS,,
LONG AGO, OUR WISE MEN MADE MEDICINES FROM VIPER POISON,, TO CURE OR TO KILL,,,
?
FALK & BARRY 8-15

MEDICINE TO MAKE HAPPY OR SAD,,,
YOU MEAN,, DRUGS. YOU KIDNAPPED 100 JUNGLE YOUTHS.
WHERE ARE THEY?

HAPPY.

YOU ASK PHANTOM ABOUT JUNGLE YOUTHS WE STOLE. I'LL TELL YOU...
QUEEN DORANDA OF DONAII...
"UNKNOWN TO JUNGLE FOLK,, MANY SMALL ISLANDS IN GREAT SWAMP,, WHERE WE LIVE...."

"ON ONE, WE HOLD THOSE YOUTHS. LISTEN,, YOU CAN HEAR THEIR LAUGHTER,,"
HA HA HOHO HEHE...
TALK & BARRY 8/17

I HEARD THAT LAUGHTER...
KIDNAPPED YOUTHS,, HILARIOUS,, IN GREAT SWAMP.
HAHA HEHE HOHO...

WE GIVE THEM SECRET MEDICINE WITH THEIR FOOD. MAKES THEM HAPPY...
LIKE THE VIPERS,, THEY OBEY US.
DRUGGED! WHY?
TALK & BARRY 8/18

PHANTOM,, MAN WHO CANNOT DIE,, DO YOU KNOW WHY WE STOLE JUNGLE YOUTHS,,?
AND SHEEP AND GOATS? LET ME ME GUESS, QUEEN DORANDA.

YOU WANT TO START A WAR BETWEEN WAMBESI AND LLONGO. YOU KNOW LLONGO WILL WIN.
YES,, THEN WE GET BACK OUR LANDS WAMBESI STOLE FROM US!
TALK & BARRY 8/19

QUEEN, WHY HAVE YOU WAITED A CENTURY TO REGAIN YOUR LANDS?
AT FIRST WE WERE WEAK. MANY DIED HERE,, BUT WITH NEW GENERATIONS, WE GREW...
TALK & BARRY 8/20

A PEOPLE,, BURIED IN THE GREAT SWAMP FOR A CENTURY,, SUDDENLY ACTIVE,, WHY?
YOUR DOING, QUEEN DORANDA OF DONAII,, THE LIVING SNAKE GODDESS?
YES.

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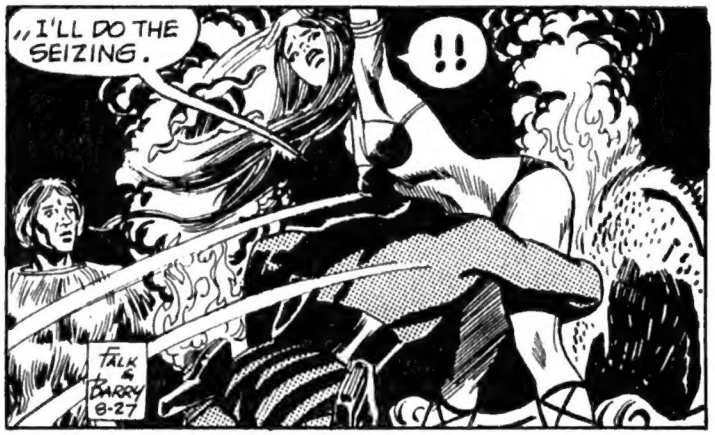
QUEEN DORANDA, AN EVIL WAS DONE TO YOUR PEOPLE YEARS AGO.. YOUR LAND WAS STOLEN...
NOW YOU'VE ENSLAVED YOUTHS WITH DRUGS.. AS HOSTAGES...
TALK & BARRY 8-26

TWO WRONGS DO NOT MAKE A RIGHT. YOU MUST RETURN THEM TO THEIR HOMES.

I REFUSE! YOU ARE NOT OUR FRIEND! OUR ENEMY!
SEIZE HIM!

QUEEN DORANDA.. LET ME HELP YOU GET YOUR LAND BACK WITHOUT WAR.
I DO NOT TRUST YOU!
SEIZE HIM!

SORRY, SNAKE GODDESS...
UH...


..I'LL DO THE SEIZING.
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TALK & BARRY 8-27

YOUR QUEEN AND I ARE LEAVING! CLEAR A PATH FOR US!
!!
HOW.. DARE YOU..!

PSST.. PSST.. PSST...
FOR THIS.. YOU (SOB) WILL DIE!
AS WE ALL WILL, SOMEDAY!
TALK & BARRY 8-28

PSST.. PSST..
AS GRASS MEN CLEAR A WAY THRU THE POISONOUS SWAMP...

AT LAST.. OUR OWN SECRET PATH...
STOP.. STOP...

GO, HERO!
NO.. NO...
?!
?
TALK & BARRY 8-29

THIS IS SACRILEGE! I,, I AM THE LIVING SNAKE GODDESS!
ONLY IN THE SWAMP, DORANDA.
FALK & BARRY 8-31

OUT HERE, YOU'RE ONLY A CHILD, WITHOUT EVEN ONE SNAKE.
CHILD?! I'M EIGHTEEN!

THAT'S WHAT I GUESSED.
WHAT'S HE UP TO ?

AT THE EDGE OF THE DEEP WOODS...
WHERE,, ARE YOU TAKING ME ?
I VISITED YOU. NOW, YOU VISIT ME, QUEEN.
PHAN-TOM!!
PHAN-TOM!!
FALK & BARRY 9-1

HOLD YOUR BREATH!
OH,, (GULP)

INSIDE,, PRINCE LLONI OF LLONGO...
I,, MUST GO HOME,, MY FATHER THE KING WAITS TO MAKE WAR!
PHANTOM SAY,, WAIT!

PHANTOM COMES NOW.
AT LAST! I CAN LEAVE.

THEY WOULDN'T LET ME GO! MY FATHER THE KING WAITS FOR ME,, TO WAR AGAINST THE WAMBESI.

WHAT DID YOU SAY, PRINCE LLONI ?
UH,, I,, ER,, UH,,!
FALK & BARRY 9-2

I DEMAND YOU RETURN ME TO THE GREAT SWAMP!
IN GOOD TIME. PRINCE LLONI OF LLONGO. MEET QUEEN DORANDA OF THE DONAII.
FALK & BARRY 9-3

SHE'S THE ONE WHO STARTED ALL THE TROUBLE. WHAT DO YOU THINK OF HER ?

SHE'S THE,, MOST BEAUTIFUL WOMAN,, I EVER SAW!
GOOD THINKING, LLONI.

PRINCE LLONI. HOW OLD ARE YOU?
ER.. EIGHTEEN.. AND THREE-QUARTERS.
TALK & BARRY 9-4

QUEEN DORANDA'S EIGHTEEN, TOO. YOU HAVE MUCH IN COMMON. EXCUSE ME...
(GULP) YOU'RE ALSO.. EIGHTEEN?
AND A HALF..

I GREW UP IN THE GREAT SWAMP.. WHERE MY PEOPLE WERE DRIVEN BY THE WAMBESI...
GEE... IT MUST HAVE BEEN TERRIBLE...
TALK & BARRY 9-5

NOT SO BAD. I WAS SENT AWAY TO SCHOOL...
ME, TOO.. TO MAWITAAN.. ARE YOU.. ER.. REALLY A QUEEN?

THEY SEEM.. TO BECOME FRIENDS.. QUICKLY...
BEING EIGHTEEN HELPS...
CONT'D

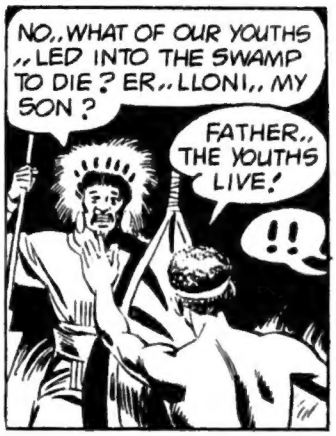
YES, I'M QUEEN OF DONAII.. I'M ALSO THE LIVING SNAKE GODDESS.
WOW!
I THINK THEY'RE READY FOR LUNCH, GURAN.
YES.. THEY ARE.. READY.

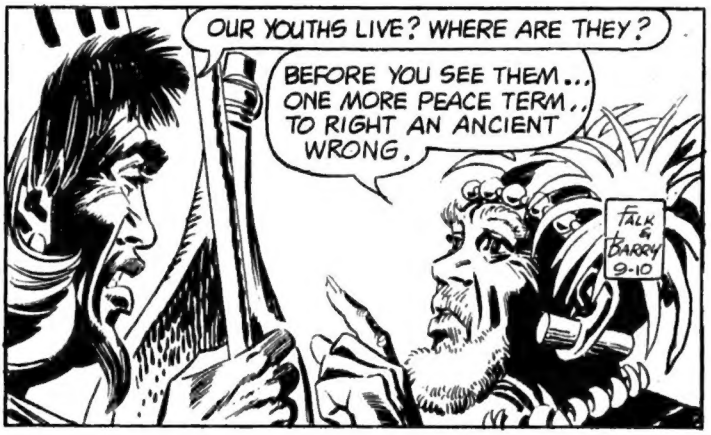
I MUST LEAVE. MIND WAITING HERE?
OH NO.. NOT AT ALL...
I.. DON'T MIND.
TALK & BARRY 9-7

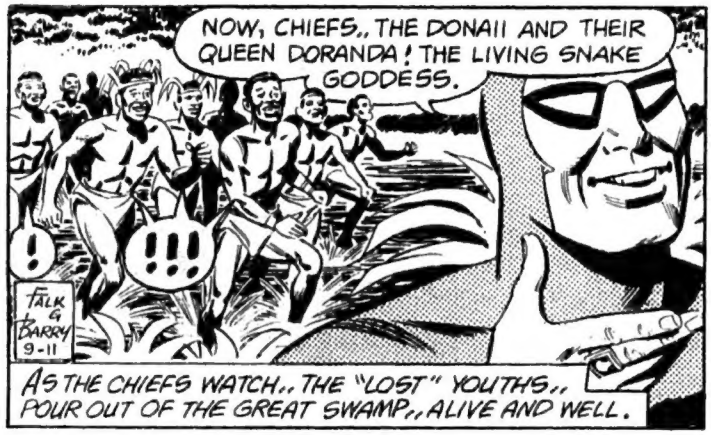
AS THE JUNGLE AWAITS WAR...
LLONGO.. COUNCIL OF CHIEFS ORDERS MEETING NOW.. AT GREAT SWAMP.
MEETING.. NOW? WHERE'S MY SON, LLONI?
TALK & BARRY 9-8

WAMBESI.. COUNCIL OF CHIEFS AT GREAT SWAMP.. NOW!

ELDER OF THE MORI.. ALL THE TRIBES WILL COME.
OUR LAST HOPE TO STOP WAR!





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